AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 447.205, the Georgia Department of Community Health is required to give public notice of any significant proposed change in its methods and standards for setting payment rates for services.

CHILDREN'S INTERVENTION SERVICES AND CHILDREN'S INTERVENTION SCHOOL SERVICES

Effective for services provided on and after January 1, 2007 and subject to payment at fee for service rates, the Department is proposing to increase the payment rate for the "Treatment of Speech, Language, Voice, Communication and/or Auditory Processing Disorder, Individual," identified as CPT code 92507, from \$39.55 to \$47.82. The purpose of this change is to more accurately match payments to the level of services being provided. This change is estimated to increase annual expenditures by approximately \$1,006,249 in total funds; \$346,590 in state funds; and \$39,508 in local funds from Boards of Education participating in the Children's Intervention School Services Program.

This public notice is available for review at each county Department of Family and Children Services office. An opportunity for public comment will be held on **December 5, 2006, 10 a.m.,** at the Department of Community Health, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 40th Floor Board Room, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Individuals who are disabled and need assistance to participate during this meeting should call (404) 656-4479. Citizens wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **December 7, 2006**, to the Board of Community Health, Post Office Box 38406, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

Comments submitted will be available for review by the public at the Department of Community Health, Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in Room 4074, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Comments will be summarized and provided to the Board of Community Health prior to the December 14, 2006 Board meeting. The Board will vote on the proposed changes after comments have been received. The December Board meeting will be held at **10:30 a.m.** in the Floyd Room of the Twin Towers Building, 20th Floor, West Tower, 200 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 21st DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2006

Rhonda M. Medows, M.D., Commissioner